Bolivian Says He Got No Gulf Money

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LA PAZ, Bolivia, June 12—Former Bolivian Foreign Minister Victor Andrade denied today that he had received campaign contributions from Gulf Oil Corp. or Vice President Nelson Rockefeller.

In a radio interview, Andrade denied that he received any of the campaign payments which Gulf has admitted making to Bolivian politicians. He was responding, in part, to allegations by former Interior Minister Antonio Arguedas that Andrade was one of several Bolivian politicians who received money from U.S. corporations through the Central Intelligence Agency.

[In an interview with Marlise Simons of The Washington Post at his home in exile in Havana, Arguedas said he saw Andrade at the home of a CIA agent in 1966. According to Arguedas, Andrade told the agent how he had used $50,000 in campaign money Andrade had received from the agent. Arguedas did not say Andrade received money from Gulf, but did charge that the CIA usually advised U.S. corporations on what candidates to support.]

Andrade said he did have contacts with the CIA while serving as ambassador to Washington in the early 1950s.